

Historic Baker City, Inc.
EXEC. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
October 2012

■ **PROMOTION/EVENTS**

- **We had a very successful Fall Festival:** The Taste was one of the best so far, with token sales being \$5300 over last years \$5052. Final accounting worksheet attached.

Historic Homes Tour: Of course always looking for wonderful historic homes, and have quite a list for the tour- please let me know if you think of anyone else.

Main Street Conference: I was unable to attend this year, as our budget had been cut back in July to eliminate excess expenses.

■ **GRANTS, SPONSORSHIPS & DONATIONS**

- **DE & Jane Clark Grant:** We did receive a grant from DE and Jane Clark. This will be for trees on First Street.

- **Leo Adler Community Fund:** I have submitted to this organization for the painting of the VFW, this next spring is it's 100th birthday, we would like to give the old gal a facelift in return.

- **Old West Federal Credit Union:** Awarded \$500 for Fall festival.

- **Ash Grove Cement Co.-** Awarded something but have not seen the \$ to Fall Festival.

■ **MAIN STREET**

- We have set into motion the plan to follow the National/State recommendations that were given to us in 2011. We are also working on the Utilities burial, and Court street plans.

■ **DESTINATION DOWNTOWN**

- **Façade Improvements:** Focusing on First Street and Main.

■ **OUTREACH, OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION**

- **Spanish Guided Tour:** Completed a very successful downtown/historic district tour Sept 20th with a large contingency from Spain who are interested in the American West.

- We had a very wonderful article in the Oregonian by Terry Richards who was out in the summer.

- **Web Design:** still waiting for changes discussed with Debi Bainter last month

- **Other News:**

● Cove Nut Company opened..wonderful items and great prices.

● Cowboy Design furniture and items opened on First street, to great success.

● Small Business Development moved into the 1901 Main street offices to help Vet's as well as provide a downtown presents

- We lost Scrapbook Emporium due to owners husband fall ill in Colorado..
- Marilyn's Music is still open at limited hours.
- Chaves have moved into old Post office building.. looks good.
- HBC has acquired the Ison House, formally the Bank of America. We will be partnering with Veteran's Advocates on the restoration work in training Vets on craftsmanship. Closing should take place at the end of this month.